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INVENTORS: Ilse CHUDOBA; Thomas LOERCH; and Andreas PLESCH SMALL ENTITY STATUS Enclosed are: Sheets of Specification 17_ 4 Sheets of drawings Χ Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney document (unsigned) Certified copy of priority documents Χ Two Verified Statements to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. (unsigned) Assignment Information Disclosure Statement; cited art; translation of pertinent portion of art IDS fee, if applicable PATENT FILING FEES BAS I FEE \$760 CLAIRS IN EXCESS OF TWENTY (\$18 each) 30 total claims \$180 10 extra claims INDERENDENT CLAIMS IN EXCESS OF THREE (\$78 each) 2 independent claims 0 <u>0</u> extra claims MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (\$260 flat fee) __0 multiple dependent claims N **TOTAL** \$940 If applicant is a small entity under 36 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here. SMALL ENTITY TOTAL \$470 A check in the amount of \$470 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 08-0719 as described below. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. Charge the amount of \$ as filing fee. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "Express Mail" Post Office to for this filing, and/or for later presentation of extra claims.

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